

Welcome to the Vance minute. I'm Joe B. Wiles with the Public Affairs Office...

The 71st Student Squadron knocked the long reigning king off the mountain and claimed the Commander's Trophy after scoring the highest total points for intramural sports in 2014.

The intramural season included basketball, racquetball, bowling, tennis, softball, golf, flag football, volleyball and a team challenge.

The reigning champs were the athletes in the 3rd Flying Training Squadron. They had won 11 of the last 14 seasons. But in 2014, something happened.

Lieutenant Colonel William Maher, the 71st Student Squadron's commander, believes it was the intense effort his Airmen brought to each playing field. And the fact his unit has 600 22-year-olds provided a diverse group of talent to draw from.

After the dust of the 2014 season had settled, the 71st Student Squadron had netted a total of 227 points. The 3rd Flying Training Squadron had 223.5.

It was a close race. But close only counts in horseshoes.

And that's your Vance Minute... have a great Air Force day.